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Prior Application Art Unit: 1713 Prior Application Examiner: Henry Hu SIR: This is a request for filing a ☑ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/847,405 filed May 3, 2001 of A. Calhoun et al. for PARTICULATE CARBONATES AND THEIR PREPARATION AND USE IN BREATHABLE FILM. \boxtimes 1. Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior Application No. 09/847,405 as originally filed on May 3, 2001, which is incorporated herein by reference. 2. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. 3. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended in the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith.

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| 4. | | A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. |
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| 5. | | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, except for the filing fee and additional claims fee, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916. |
| 6. | | New acceptable drawings are enclosed. |
| 7. | \boxtimes | The prior application is assigned of record to: Imerys Pigments, Inc. |
| 8. | | Priority of Application No, filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy |
| | | is enclosed or is on file in the prior application. |
| 9. | | Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application. |
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| 11. | \boxtimes | The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application. |
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| 12. | | Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed. |
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1300 l Street, NW Washington, DC 20005 202.408.4000 Fax 202.408.4400 www.finnegan.com PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent Application No. 09/847,405 filed May 3, 2001 for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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